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WE BELIEVE

1. In the verbal inspiration of the Bible.
2. In one God eternally existing in three persons; namely, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
3. That Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of the Father, conceived of the Holy Ghost, and born of the virgin Mary. That Jesus was crucified, buried, and raised from the dead; that He ascended to heaven and is today at the right hand of the Father as the Intercessor.
4. That all have sinned and come short of the glory of God, and that repentance is commanded of God for all and necessary for forgiveness of sins.
5. That justification, regeneration, and the new birth are wrought by faith in the blood of Jesus Christ.
6. In sanctification subsequent to the new birth, through faith in the blood of Christ; through the Word, and by the Holy Ghost.
7. Holiness to be God's standard of living for His people.
8. In the baptism with the Holy Ghost subsequent to a clean heart.
9. In speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, and that it is the initial evidence of the baptism of the Holy Ghost.
10. In water baptism by immersion, and all who repent should be baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
11. Divine healing is provided for all in the atonement.
12. In the Lord's Supper and washing of the saints' feet.
13. In the premillennial second coming of Jesus. First, to resurrect the righteous dead and to catch away the living saints to Him in the air. Second, to reign on the earth a thousand years.
14. In the bodily resurrection; eternal life for the righteous and eternal punishment for the wicked.

NOTICE

I am now open for revivals.—Vivian A. Boyles, 341 Starnes Pk., E. Gadsden, Ala.

WEST VIRGINIA'S WINNER OF LEE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Lee College should like to salute the State of West Virginia Alumni Chapter for their untiring efforts to boost Lee College. The winner of this scholarship is Miss Alice Kiser, of War, W. Va. The points required amounted to 3,800, but she came through with 55,550! The scholarship entitles the winner, Miss Alice E. Kiser, to two semesters of nine months of schooling, including registration fee, tuition, room and board.

COVER PICTURE

Our cover picture this week is a portion of the mailing department at the Church of God Publishing House, where the Evangel, Lighted Pathway, Sunday School literature, and other publications are prepared for mailing.

In the picture can be seen most of the ladies working in this department. Stacks on the tables are Evangel in process of preparation. They have already been run through the Addressograph and addressed to the individual subscribers. On the back of the tables are open mail bags, ready to receive the Evangel. Each bag is labeled for some particular state. All the papers going to any one post office are wrapped together in one wrapper, then dropped into the mail bag going to the state in which that particular post office is located. For some of our large states it takes two or more bags to carry the papers. There is also a miscellaneous mail bag into which are dropped the papers going to states with only a few subscriptions. Hanging on the end of the table in the forefront can be seen some of the paper used to wrap these publications. This paper is cut and the addresses of local post offices

put on by machine before it is brought to the tables where it is used.

The personnel is, reading from left to right: 1st table—Mrs. Eva Lee, employed here 22 years; Mrs. Agnes Benton, about 6 years. 2nd table—Mrs. J. D. Hyberger, employed here over 6 years; Mrs. Lillian Bryant, about 17 years; Mrs. Della Hyberger, over 32 years; Mrs. Rosa Barrett, about 19 years. 3d table—Mrs. Naomi Baldree, employed here about 6 years; standing by Mrs. Baldree is Mrs. Harry Harper who has worked here about 8 years; Mrs. Arlie Cooper, 4½ years; Mrs. Sallie Bell McCune, about 17 years.

SONG BOOK

When you go to church on Sunday
And you look around to see who's there;
When you find your place in the pew,
You will find me somewhere.

I play a very important role
In every service in the church.
I may not be as large as some,
But you soon realize my worth.

Church service isn't much without me;
There would be no place to begin,
If I were not in the right place
When the choir has gathered in.

Though I can only claim one place,
I am used by all in the church,
And am some times so misused
Many never know my real worth.

The first Sunday I came to church
I was attired in a beautiful dress.
Everybody there was proud of me;
Even the critics were impressed.

I don't have any thing in me
To mar the beauty of any one;
My whole life is to be of service
Until my race here is run.

My name once stood out shiny bright;
I was introduced with great delight.
But now my name is hardly known;
My appearance is a miserable sight.

I've been used to please the baby;
I've been rolled by nervous hands;
I've been chewed, slapped, and marked on,
Used for footstools, even fans.

My road has been a rough journey;
I am going long before I should.
My worn and torn and backless body
Has rendered me a worthless heap, no good.

—Rev. M. D. Harwood

OBITUARIES

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." Ps. 116:15.

GEORGE LEWIS

In memory of little George Lewis who was born Sunday morning, August 7, 1938, and was called Sunday morning, August 7, 1949. Little George was loved by all who knew him, and sorrow filled the hearts of many when he was called to that heavenly home.—His mother, Mrs. Sallie Conipe, Toecone, N. C.

BLANTON

James G. Blanton, age 66, departed this life May 7, 1950.

He accepted the Lord in the year of 1904, receiving his Baptism with the Holy Ghost on January 1, 1908. He was a charter member of the Church of God of Largo, Florida, having joined the following year after receiving his Pentecostal Baptism. It has been said by some that he served longer in the office of deacon than any other in Florida. He was born in Pinellas County, Florida, and spent his entire life there. Besides a grieving group of brothers and sisters in the Lord, Brother Blanton is survived by 3 sons, 3 daughters, 1 sister, 2 brothers, and 5 grandchildren.

We look forward to being reunited with our dear brother once again, on "that glad reunion day."—His pastor, Eugene R. Anderson.

COUPEE

Sister Nora Coupee, a member of the Church of God at Greensboro, N. C., departed this life Feb. 22, 1950, at the age of 62 years. We are expecting some day to meet her again upon the heavenly shore, for her greatest desire was to make heaven her home. Forty-two years ago she accepted the Lord as her Saviour. She will be missed by her relatives and friends.—Mrs. Eva Buskey, Sanford, N. C.

BRADSHAW

On Feb. 12, 1950, the death angel visited the home of E. M. Bradshaw and claimed for its victim his dear mother, Mrs. Mary C. Bradshaw. She was 62 years of age. Sister Bradshaw was not a charter member of the Church of God in Erwin, N. C., but joined soon afterward, and was a faithful member. She enjoyed attending church and also enjoyed having God's ministers and His people in her home. She was active in services until her death. She attended the Y. P. E. service the night before her death, which was one of the services she enjoyed most. We grieve not as those that have no hope, because we expect to see her again in the resurrection. She leaves 4 sons and 3 daughters to mourn her passing.—Her daughter-in-law, Mrs. E. M. Bradshaw.

DAVIS

On March 21, 1950, the death angel came into the home of Claude W. Davis and claimed his darling wife, Rosa. She was a kind and loving wife and mother. She was 38 years old and a charter member of the Church of God at Sugar Valley, Ga. Besides her husband, she leaves 1 daughter, 1 brother, 1 sister, 2 half sisters, and a host of friends and relatives. Her funeral was conducted by her former pastor, Rev. Gordon W. Mize, and she was laid to rest in the Old Methodist Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.—Mrs. Lela Davis, Calhoun, Ga.

Editorials...

A CHALLENGING MESSAGE

It has been my privilege to hear our General Overseer, H. L. Chesser, deliver a number of sermons, all of which were good, but none of which were superior to his sermon that many of us have heard him deliver recently on "The Objectives of the Church."

His treatment of the subject could easily be thought of as a "blanket coverage" of the constituency—ministers and members, plans, purposes, and duties of the Church of God in its various departments, within and without.

There was nothing sensational about the message, either in the manner of its delivery or, as for that, the nature of the subject itself. To the contrary, it was a good, solid, factual sermon. Although proper credit was given for the success and progress made by the church, there was no reservation in pointing out numerous bottlenecks in every phase of our church life which have and still are cheating us out of the actual success that we should realize. Yet there was not the slightest tone of defeatism in our General's voice; to the contrary, that kind of optimism that fills the hearts of courageous, consecrated, farseeing leaders so overwhelmingly that they impart to their followers a consuming, undaunted passion to accept their plans and work them to a successful completion.

THEY FOLLOW THE PATTERN

That Red Russia is following in the South Korean aggression, the pattern she set in the mad revolution in China, goes without question. Not only that, but if successful in Korea, Yugoslavia will be the prey of Red-Balkan armies, and, in fact, regardless of how the war terminates in Korea, it would not be surprising if Russia sets off war in numerous countries (that is, if Red China is not seated in United Nations) to so occupy the United Nation forces in various places as to scatter their fighting strength in order to make disastrous sneak attacks on the western nations, especially the United States. One thing we may be assured of and that is that Russia is bent upon world conquest and will resort to every means and method possible in her effort to accomplish her purpose.

This is another period marked as "the beginning of sorrow." Many of our American soldiers have already shed their blood on the battlefield of Korea, and no doubt thousands more will die in this war, which has all the appearances and possibilities of actually being World War III. If it is, we may well know that it will be the most far-flung, general, and devastating war the world has ever known. If Communism should win, this world would be turned into a wilderness of woe—strong term indeed, but when you think of the near 500,000 church buildings going up in flames or being converted into meeting places for the godless, and all the Bible schools and Christian colleges turned into atheistic institutions, while the Christian, Protestants, Jews, and Catholics, are purged from the earth by martyrdom of every conceivable means, you can understand why I say if Russia conquers, the earth will be a wilderness of woe and a virtual hell on earth. Prayer and fasting helps much more than you might think at this time. My boys and your boys will soon be on the battlefield, if the Red hordes are not stopped. Everything that we hold dear and precious is, I believe, far more at stake now than when we were in World War II.

Another thing we should keep in mind is to "look up" at such a time as this, for "our redemption draweth nigh." Our Saviour is likely to come any minute. Let us be ready.

ETERNAL

There is nothing that so inspires and at the same time impresses a person with greater satisfaction for the present and anticipation for the future as the knowledge of those things which appertain to life in its *eternal relationships*. We like to think of the things that pertain to our peace, pleasure, health, friendship, joy, and happiness as being permanent, not only permanent but *everlasting*; and if there is any difference between everlasting and eternal in respect to duration, we want them to be *eternal in their duration*.

Sometime ago I noticed a feature of "Believe It or Not" that shows a very interesting illustration of time. It was stated in one of the features that it would take over eighty years to count a billion, and, of course, to most minds this would appear to be an unreasonable length of time required for such a count. The following was given, however, to establish the accuracy of such a statement:

You count to 100 in one minute (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, etc.). Count 1,000 in 10 minutes. Count 6,000 in one hour.

In an 8-hour day you count 48,000; in a 40-hour week, 240,000; in a year (52 weeks) 12,480,000. To count to 1,000,000,000 it would take 80 years, 6 weeks, 3 days, 2 hours, and 40 minutes.

To count the estimated national debt, 280 billion dollars, it would take 20,400 years.

At first, eighty years seems an interminably long time in which to count a billion. But, if that be true, then how much longer will it seem to live a billion years. Yet a billion years is but an infinitesimal part of eternity. The glorious thing about it is that we who have been redeemed by the precious blood of the Lord Jesus are creatures not only born to live in all eternity, and remember eternity is endless, but in being born again we have full and glorious prospect and possibilities of living in all eternity with God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, the angelic host, and the saints of all ages, past, present, and future. We must as human beings, keep in mind, however, that decision on our part here determines our destiny. Therefore in the final analysis we must be aware of the fact that our acceptance or rejection of the Lord Jesus Christ determines to which of man's future destinations we are going. It is an indisputable fact that He "whose goings forth have been from everlasting" came into this world to provide, through His righteous life, sacrificial, vicarious death, and resurrection, redemption from sin and a title deed for every soul redeemed to a place in God's eternal house of many mansions. All of this is made possible and a positive fact through His atoning death and glorious resurrection. Christ Jesus is now the free gift of God through whom if man will accept and believe, there is everlasting life (John 3:16; Rom. 6:23).

That the picture is dark and filled with eternal torment for those who reject the Lord Jesus, the only means of man's redemption, cannot be denied, for in Psalm 9:17 we read, "The wicked shall be turned into hell and all the nations that forget God," and in Matt. 18:8, "wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire." Matt. 25:46 tells us where the paths of pilgrims toward eternity separate and go to their everlasting destinations: "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal."

One certainly could not be thrilled with any of the terms "permanent," "everlasting," or "eternal," as related to the screams, cries, cursings, and gnashing of teeth that will be the lot of those who, by reason of choice and nature of their life, descend to the place prepared only for the devil and his angels. But as surely as there awaits the righteous eternal peace, joy, and happiness in the place that He has gone to prepare for His blood-washed disciples in His Father's house of many mansions in heaven and the renewed earth, so also is there hell eternal, *everlasting hell*, with its everlarging mouth, yawning and gaping wide for those who are crowding the broad road to the wide gate of its *eternal flames*. Where will you be in eternity?

Foreign Missions

J. Herbert Walker, Sr., Executive Missions Secretary

OPEN DOORS

JAPAN, INDIA, SOUTH AMERICA

While the apostle Paul was on his second missionary journey from Philippi perhaps, he wrote to the Corinthians (1 Cor. 16:9) about Ephesus, saying, "For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries." Also, he wrote, "When I come to Troas to preach Christ's gospel . . . a door was opened unto me of the Lord" (2 Cor. 2:12).

God's message to the Philadelphian church is, "Behold, I have set before thee an open door." The opportunities at Ephesus were so great that Paul saw "a great door . . . opened." Some think he alludes in this passage to the custom of the Roman circus, and the doors of it, at which the charioteers were to enter, as their antagonists did at the opposite doors. With opportunity goes corresponding responsibility. Through the open door, there are many adversaries. This by no means discouraged the apostle Paul; it rather put the "go ye" fire into him. His very soul was animated by the opposition. Always when and where God works the devil does his best to hinder. Today there are great doors opened before us.

Japan (the Japanese say, "Nippon") is a wide-open door.

Japan, the land of the tops of high mountains forming a chain of islands where the world's most earthquakes strike, with her 79 millions of people, boasting an ancient monarchy dating from Jimmer Tenno (B. C. 600), needs the gospel.

DOORS ONCE CLOSED

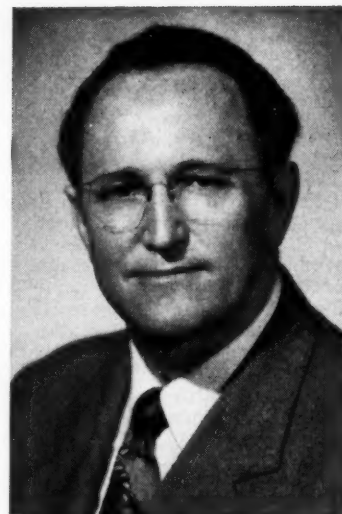
Once her doors were closed tight to everyone. In the early 17th century one of the Shogans (rulers) closed all foreign commerce, and they remained shut in from the outside world until Commodore Perry, in 1853, under the American Naval Commission, entered. With the opening of Japan followed the overthrow of the Shogans. By 1868 they had entered a new era of enlightenment (but not spiritual enlightenment), making marvelous advancement, and reached extraordinary military strength. Their constitution made their emperor sovereign, his person sacred and inviolable.

THE DOWNFALL

As you know, Japan broke the four-power pact between the United States, Great Britain, France, and Nippon and made that terrible devastating, sneaking attack on Pearl Harbor, which was answered eventually by the explosion of the atomic fission, thus losing the war. Her emperor was forced to acknowledge he was not infallible and that the "land of the sun" could be conquered.

WITH THE FALL of this nation (the third highest birth and death rate in the world) crashed the hopes of 79 millions who worshipped their emperor as God. Now they somewhat realize their need and are groping in the blackness, searching for the light. Shall we not help them?

MISSIONARIES INVITED. General MacArthur invites missionaries to bring salvation, which comes only through Jesus Christ, the Light of the



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Executive Missions Secretary

world.

Just recently, the Diet of Japan passed a bill granting evangelicals a
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THE MACEDONIAN CALL A MISSION MAGAZINE

CONTAINING—

Thirty-six pictures of our American missionaries and Church of God native workers.

You will not want to miss reading articles in the next issue, such as:

"Native Swims a River to Fill Appointment"

"Philippine Minister Pastors Three Churches"

"Demoniac Because of God's Judgment"

"Missionary's Trip Across the Andes Mountains"

"Inside Germany"

Pearl Stark's letter, telling how lions pass through that village quarterly, attacking the people.

Many of the pictures you will recognize as our own missionaries. Other pictures of interest:

The tomb in which our Lord was buried (photo by J. H. Walker while in Jerusalem last December).

A photo by H. L. Chesser, showing the place where the Holy Ghost fell on the day of Pentecost (picture made in Jerusalem while en route to India).

An ex-priest in Africa who has been saved and healed.

Lee College teacher (sails for India in August).

Natives in different countries.

Description of how three million people carry on Voodoo worship.

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Did Angels Marry WOMEN?

"There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown," Gen. 6:4.

W. L. MYERS
Box 165, Rockmart, Ga.

Were "the sons of God" in this connection men or angels? I contend that we do not have to leave the human family to find these "sons of God." If you say they were angels, then you set aside the fathers who were the natural generators. To set aside the fathers and make way for demonized angels to generate a race is a monstrosity. (Matt. 22:30.) Angels fallen or unfallen do not marry.

It was a world in which marriage was abused. "We find that marriage was commenced on a wrong principle." When the true Adamite stock began to marry and intermarry the Cainites, apostasy was the result. It was altogether wrong for the true Adamite stock to marry the Cainite women. The Cainites were of a lower order of mankind. Contrast them with the Sethites. We find the genealogy of Cain recorded separate to that of Adam. There was no excuse for the true Adamites to marry the Cainites. "The conjugal alliances of men largely determine the moral character of a community." The marriage of the sons of God to the Cainites raised the floodgates of iniquity.

"The sons of God," the antediluvian men of God, not angels, married the daughters of men. How could an angel assume a human body capable of being a husband? And would their children not be half angel and half human?

Much of this folklore belief is found in the book of Enoch. But it is well to remember that Enoch did not write that book. The book of Enoch perhaps is as ancient as the Epistles. Its contents are apocryphal; that is, it is not canonical nor authentic, but spurious. It is astonishing exaggeration, which is incredible beyond sober reality.

I shall give you a few quotations designed to show that the book of Enoch is counterfeit.

Chap. vii. 12: "It happened, after the sons of men had multiplied in those days, that daughters were born to them, elegant and beautiful. And when the angels (the sons of heaven) beheld them, they became enamoured of them, saying to each other, Come, let us select for our selves wives from the progeny of men, and let us beget children."

Chap. xv. 7: "Therefore I made not wives for you (angels) because, being spiritual, your dwelling is in heaven."

Chap. xvii. 16: "Therefore was he offended with them (the angels), and bound them, until the period of the consummation of their crimes in the secret year."

Chap. xxi. 2, 3: "I beheld . . . a desolate spot, prepared, and terrific. There too, I beheld seven stars of heaven (angels), bound in it together. These are those of the stars which have transgressed the commandment of the most high God; and are here bound, until the infinite number of the days of their crime be completed."

I quote from the book of Zohar: "After that the sons of God had begotten sons, God took them and brought them to the mount of darkness, and bound them in chains of darkness which reach to the middle of the great abyss. (A fuller form of the Rabbinic legend relates that the angels Asa and Asael charged God with folly in having created man who so soon provoked Him, and that He answered that if they had been on earth they would have sinned as man had done.) And thereupon He allowed them to descend to earth, and they sinned with the daughters of men. And when they would have returned to heaven they could not, for they were banished from their former habitation, and brought into the dark mountains of the earth."

Note, the above statements are not conformable to reason. Angels are not made the theme of divine revelation in the Old Testament. Such ideas are conceived by wild and unrestrained fancy.

The advocates of the theory make great noise about their offspring being giants. But if you will paraphrase the text, you will see that there were giants in the land before the Adamites married the Cainites.—"Giants—The term in Hebrew implies not so much the idea of great stature as of reckless ferocity, impious and daring characters, who spread devastation and carnage far and wide."

Note how the advocates of the theory contradict each other. This is proof that the book of Enoch and similar books are apocryphal.

One man teaches that certain angels had an argument with God, and He allowed them the privilege to come down to earth, and to be charmed by beautiful women; whereas, being tempted by those charming women, "they took them wives of all

which they chose." And after they had lived with their earthly wives an indefinite time, they decided to go back to heaven. But God took them and bound them in chains to a dark mountain, the chains being long enough to reach to the middle of hell.

Can you conceive the idea—holy angels having lust?

Another man teaches that these angels were already fallen. Then may I ask, why did they wait until after the death of Adam to marry the daughters of men? The truth of the matter is, Adam kept his posterity separate from that of Cain's, as long as he lived.

The writer of the book of Enoch "let the cat out of the wallet" when he said, "Therefore I made not wives for you (angels) because, being spiritual, your dwelling is in heaven." Yes, indeed, the angels are spiritual, and were not capacitated to increase their number by way of procreation.

It is taught in the book of Enoch that the flood followed close upon the sin of the angels. Here is an acknowledgment that this sin began long after the death of Adam.

"Milton's use of legendary matter carries no authority and affords no explanation of difficult allusions in Holy Scripture. Moore's 'Loves of the Angels' is a pure work of imagination." It is absurd to even think that these apocryphal books are inspired of God. And "it is certain that the Holy Scripture carries no revelation at all in relation to the matter." "Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?" (Psalm 2:1). "Imagine: Fr., imago; image." If we are not careful, we shall bow to mental images. It is shown at Gen. 6:5 that the further men get from God, the valner are their imaginations. "But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be" (Matt. 24:37).

"A bombastic mysticism, promising to reveal secrets about the unseen world and the future, was a very lucrative profession in the last days of Paganism, and it passed over to Christianity as an element in various heresies." To search these apocryphal books is no endeavor to understand revealed truth.

I will answer any question by the way of personal letter.

OH, PRAISE THE LORD

KEYSVILLE, Va.—My little 6-year-old son wasn't able to go to church, but I took him anyway. That afternoon he became worse and had a hot fever. We went to church that night, and when I turned my faith loose and touched the hem of His garment, my son's fever left and he wanted something to eat. E. S., my son, says, "Thank Jesus for healing me." He always asks for prayer when he gets sick. I give our great Redeemer all the praise and my desire is a closer walk with Him.—Sister C. S. Burrell.

Testimonies

KIMBERLY, Ala.—We praise God for the good revival which just came to a close here with a number saved, sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost, and added to the church. The evangelist was Rev. Roy Dagnan, of Wallins Creek, Ky. Brother Dagnan is a fine evangelist and will do your church good. Our good pastor, Rev. R. T. Lankford, and his family has been a great blessing to us.—B. M. Shippley, Reporter.

AKRON, Ohio—I came to Akron, Ohio, with very little money and no job. I was trusting the Lord, and I promised Him I would testify for His glory if He would make a way for me. In less than 2 weeks I had a good job. About the same time, a revival started here in Akron and it was the most wonderful revival I have ever attended. I was healed and received the Holy Ghost. That was over 2 months ago. I am very young in the Lord. I was saved a little over a year ago, so pray for me and those people down in Kentucky that need the Lord.—Arizona Wells.

TOCCOA, Ga.—I praise the Lord for His wonderful healing power. I was healed of a goiter on my neck, for which I praise Him.—Gennie Singleton.

AUBURN, Neb.—Truly we have much for which to thank Jesus. I praise Him for healing my little girl's eye. She was blind in one eye; we placed an anointed cloth on it and prayed and the Lord wonderfully healed her.—Mrs. Ruth H. Dillon.

OPPY, Ky.—I praise the Lord for salvation. I truly thank Him for all He has done for me. About three months ago He healed me of a bad stomach ailment. I also praise Him for healing my boy of the flu.—Mrs. Helen Brunty.

WORTHINGTON, Ky.—I thank and praise the Lord for this wonderful salvation. I thank Him for saving my soul, sanctifying me, and baptizing me with the precious Holy Ghost. I thank Him for healing my little boy when he was sick. God has healed my children and touched my body many times, and I praise Him for it.—Mrs. Elizabeth Westfall.

ROCK HILL, S. C.—I testify of the saving, sanctifying, and healing power of Jesus. I know the Lord has touched and healed my body many times. Pray that I shall be completely healed of a head trouble.—Mrs. Estelle Burris, 8 Lyle St.

CHAUNCEY, W. Va.—I praise the Lord for His healing power. I praise Him for healing me of a broken knee cap when the doctor said it would be from three to six weeks before I could walk. I also praise Him for healing me last night.—Mrs. E. E. David.

WEDOWEE, Ala.—I praise the Lord for salvation and for His wonderful healing power. In 1949 He healed my side that had been sore and had pained almost every day for three years. In February, 1950, He healed me of low blood pressure. About two weeks later my son, who is seventeen years old, was healed of bone infection. He has been a cripple since he was five years old, but he hasn't needed his crutches since he was healed. God has also answered prayer for a pastor here. God came on the scene and sent Brother Beggs. We had 49 at church last night and the Lord blessed in a wonderful way. Our Sunday School and Y. P. E. are growing rapidly and we are expecting something to happen at Zion this year.—Mrs. Florence Mulkey, Route 1.

RUMMERFIELD, Pa.—I praise God who has been so wonderfully good to me. I praise Him for His great healing power. He has healed me many times of various diseases too numerous to mention.—O. F. Young, R. D. 1.

E. TALLASSEE, Ala.—Just a few words to report victory in Jesus. The healing virtue is still as strong and wonderful as ever. On April 11, while at work, I had a fall which resulted in three broken ribs, two of which punctured one lung and one punctured one or both sacs around my lungs known as a pleura. I was in a critical condition, according to the doctor's statement, and was taken to the hospital and given oxygen for about five hours. But I improved so rapidly and wonderfully I was dismissed to go home after two days and nights without any medicine; by Sunday noon I was able to lay down and get up from my bed without any help. Just two weeks before that, while on my way home, I collided with another car, demolishing the left front of my car and entire left side of the other car, and neither of us received a scratch. Oh, our God is truly wonderful! I am at home from the fall and doing fine and still trusting the Lord.—Charles H. Shaw.

MARIETTA, Ga.—I praise the Lord for healing me of T. B. four years ago. The doctor told me I was in the last stage of T. B. and could live but a few days. As I left the doctor's office, I breathed a simple little prayer and it seemed that heaven came down around me. Right then and there I was instantly healed and I am giving all the praise to God.—Mrs. Sallie Walters, 1422 Church St.

CROUSE, N. C.—I praise the dear Lord for what He means to me. I praise Him for healing my little girl. Something was wrong with her back. It had bothered her for about two years, and she was stiff in her back at times. God touched her and she has been better ever since.—A Sister.



OUR GUEST

This is Mrs. Conrad Fitzgerald, nee Ruby Wales, copyreader at the Church of God Publishing House.

BOWLING GREEN, KY., CHURCH MAKES IMPROVEMENTS



We, the Church of God in Bowling Green, Ky., report great victory. God has been blessing us in many ways in the past year. We have redecored our church and added three Sunday School rooms in the basement. The picture above was made in one of our Sunday morning services.

Rev. Ottis Riggs, our pastor, has worked hard for and with us. He has been with us eight months, and we have gained 50 per cent in membership. We praise God for Brother and Sister Riggs and all the members and friends of the church who have worked so faithfully.—Maggie Carson, Clerk.

Some Things to Think About

A Great Love

Jimmy Wilson, of Jacksonville, Fla., World War II veteran, who lost both hands and both feet in an airplane crash while in service, was married to Miss Dorothy Mortenson, June 8. The happy lovers posed for a picture in Jacksonville after announcement of their engagement. He is 25 and she is 23.

Love indeed is strong.

GI Dividend 90% Paid

WASHINGTON.—Officials said about 90 per cent of the \$2,800,000,000 GI insurance refund money has been paid out in four months, exceeding initial expectations, but applications are still "trickling in" every day.

The Treasury tabulation showed 13,786,949 checks had been sent out through today for a total of \$2,508,705,163.31, an average of more than \$180 each, since the distribution began January 16.

Current check mailings, however, have slowed to as few as 8,000 a day since the peak movement more than a month ago. Then, as many as 300,000 checks were sent out in a single day.

Veterans Administration officials explained that, except for the trickle of late applications, most of the approximately 1,000,000 applications awaiting payment represent "difficult" cases which could not be mass processed for payment.

Doctor Honored by 1,500 "Babies"

POPLARVILLE, Miss.—A 65-year-old country doctor sat in a reviewing stand Saturday and watched a half-mile long parade of 1,500 of his "babies."

They included 1,000 white and 500 Negroes, all brought into the world by Dr. H. B. Cowart. Among them was Jim Standford, 42-year-old farmer. Dr. Cowart's oldest living baby.

The doctor estimates he has delivered 4,000 babies in 44 years of practice in South Mississippi.

Two tons of barbecue were served to a crowd of 6,000, who came to pay tribute to Dr. Cowart.

Church Membership Now at 81,497,698

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—A total church membership in the United States of 81,497,698 is reported in the 1950 Southern Baptist Handbook, released here.

Porter Routh, editor of the Handbook, said this was a gain of 1.4 per cent over the figures reported last year.

Forty-eight Protestant groups, with a membership of more than 50,000 each, reported a total of 47,199,675 members, compared with 46,719,184 the previous year. The Roman Catholic Church reported 26,718,343, compared with 26,075,697 the year before. Smaller denominations and the Jewish congregations make up the balance.

The Handbook noted that the largest Protestant denomination is the Methodist Church with a membership of 8,792,569. The Southern Baptist Convention comes next, with a membership of 6,761,265.

According to the Southern Baptist tabulation there were 283,150 congregations in 1949 as compared with 279,374 in 1948.

It was also disclosed that 27,944,454 pupils were enrolled in Sunday Schools and parochial schools in 1949, as compared with 27,981,457 in 1948. Protestant Sunday Schools showed a loss during the year of 37,003 members.

Woman Drops Sick Husband From Fifth-Floor Window

NEW YORK.—Mrs. Anna Bornholdt, 58, was arraigned on a homicide charge in the death of her paralyzed husband who was dropped from a fifth-floor window. Bronx Magistrate Raphael E. Murphy ordered her held without bail for hearing Wednesday.

Police quoted her as saying that her husband, Fred, 64, pleaded with her, "Please don't throw me out."

"I have to do it," she told him, according to police, and let him fall from a kitchen window to a rear courtyard.

The couple had been married 20 years. Last November Bornholdt, a waiter, suffered a stroke and his left side was paralyzed.

Police said that when they asked her why she did it, she finally said, "I'm a bad girl."

During her arraignment she nervously twisted a handkerchief and spoke only when the Magistrate told her she could communicate with relatives and friends.

"I have nobody," she said in a low voice.

Portraits

By James J. Metcalfe

THE WAY WITH ME

Whenever things go wrong for me . . . I feel so all alone . . . And in my heart I tell myself . . . The fault is all my own . . . I wonder what there is in me . . . That draws the luck I get . . . And why I do so many things . . . I surely must regret . . . I try to change my way of life . . . I start anew, and then . . . Before the sun goes down I make . . . The same mistakes again . . . There must be some solution to . . . This puzzle of my life . . . And some successful remedy . . . For my eternal strife . . . And yet each time the clouds appear . . . I want to run and hide . . . And there is something unexplained . . . That troubles me inside.

Preparations Being Made to Hide From Bombs

We are told in Revelation 6:15-17 that the great men of the world, such as kings and princes, shall seek to hide themselves in the caves and rocks of the mountains from the wrath of Him who sits on the throne.

With this Scripture in mind, it is of real interest to us to note some suggestions that have been made concerning a large cave near Stanton, Missouri. The cave is owned by Lester Dill. This is what a news report says about it: "Lester Dill of Stanton, Missouri, who owns a 26-mile-long cave deep in the foothills of the Missouri Ozarks, has asked the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for a million-dollar loan to develop an underground Noah's Ark, safe from atomic and hydrogen bomb attacks."

"Dill said that his cave would hide several thousand people whose survival would be essential to future civilization. Thus he suggests that the persons picked to hide away in his cave be scientists, medical experts, chemists, engineers, other specialists, and promising young people, who would insure a future generation."

Introduction

The word "atonement" occurs once in the New Testament and then should have been translated "reconciliation," consequence of atonement. The reconciliation has remitted the wrath, the punishment which we deserved, and through this we expect eternal glory. A holy God justifies an ungodly sinner through faith. It is all through the blood of Jesus Christ—nothing less, nothing more, nothing different. Before the foundation of the world, the plan of salvation was in the mind of God, but it remained to be executed. When God fixed the plan for man's redemption, He sent out the invitation for man to come and partake of the benefits of His great plan of salvation. Man could accept or reject God's invitation.

It Is The Blood That Maketh An Atonement For The Soul. Lev. 17:10. This is God's simple plan of justification. From the 3d chapter of Genesis to the Revelation, we find the blood of Christ put forward as the only grounds for righteousness. We receive pardon, peace, life, and righteousness all by the blood, and by nothing but the blood of Jesus Christ.

Adam was made a free moral agent, and he made the choice that plunged mankind into the darkness of sin and left himself in a terrible condition. He lost all his dominion, dignity, happiness, innocence, purity, and peace. All was gone from him, and he accused God of being the cause of it. He stood there lost and guilty, yet a self-vindicating and God-accusing sinner. When Adam came to the end of himself, God began to reveal His plan of redeeming love.

Man was to be lifted to a high and lofty state through redemption, to be reached only by the bruised seed of the woman, after Adam failed to establish his own righteousness, and saw the worthlessness of his fig-leaf apron and the folly of his sins.

Sin had introduced death, and man had become the serpent's slave. Death had to be abolished; God's claims had to be met. Could man do that alone? No! he could not assist God in the plan of redemption. Then Adam began to see the emphasis placed on the seed of the woman. God was to bruise the serpent's head with the seed of the woman, which is the descendant of woman, "And Adam called his wife's name Eve," which means "the mother of all living."

Jesus said to Martha, "I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?"

It has been said that all roads lead to Rome: but in the plan of salvation all roads lead to Jesus Christ, and any road that does not center in Jesus is not a highway of God. Jesus Christ is the sole purpose and the goal in our living.

After Adam named his wife, God clothed them with coats of skins, a divinely provided garment, a type of

The Atonement

Acts 17:26

H. V. FOWLER, Pastor at
Baxley, Ga.

Christ. The garment made them fit to stand in God's presence. After consultation, Gen. 3:22, man was expelled from the garden. His knowledge of conscience awoke, and man was responsible to do good, to abstain from all evil, and to approach God through a sacrifice. Cain brought of the fruit of the ground, and God had no respect for it. But Abel's offering was according to God's previous instructions, and God had respect for it. This was Abel's expression of his faith in the substitute. Heb. 11:4. It was the type of the Lamb of God and His sufferings.

John said, "Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world." The lamb symbolizes the unresisting the harmlessness of the Lord Jesus, Isa. 53:7. Twenty-eight times in the book of Revelation Jesus is called the Lamb of God, and the title is always associated with His atoning work. Cain's bloodless offering proclaims God's truth that without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sins. Heb. 9:22.

The Atonement was Foreordained Before the Foundation of the World, But was Manifest in These Times for You.

1 Peter 1:20. The atonement was no afterthought on the part of God, and the fall didn't take God by surprise. Before the creation of the world, He knew the end from the beginning and made provisions for man's redemption. John saw Him as a lamb slain from the foundation of the world. Rev. 13:8.

There is a twofold purpose in God's plan of salvation. This twofold purpose included the salvation of man and the glorifying of His Son. God provided not only that men might be saved but also that His own Son might become the Head of a glorious kingdom of redeemed men, redeemed through His precious blood. Suppose God had banished Adam and Eve and put another moral being on the earth in their place? If God were less than perfect and less than omnipotent, He would have been confessing He did not foresee the fall of man, which would have meant that He did not foresee the end from the beginning. Then He could not have been omniscient. But worse than all such confessions, it would have meant He was not love. But instead, love went into action and established the plan of

redemption of man, which was already pending.

The purpose of the atonement was to make man at ONE with GOD again. The atonement originated with God who was in Christ Jesus reconciling the world to Himself in the event that man should fall, for man was created a free moral agent and by his choice brought the penalty of a broken law. The penalty of a broken law must fall on the breaker of the law or his substitute or bondsman; otherwise the law is of no effect. A law without a penalty would be useless. It is not the law that men fear but the penalty. Adam and Eve were doomed to die, but their death would frustrate God's purpose, which was to repopulate the restored earth, Gen. 1:28. God couldn't withhold the penalty without breaking His holy word. It was necessary that the penalty of the law, if not to fall on Adam and Eve, should fall on the substitute.

In the 22d chapter of Genesis, the Holy Ghost gives us a typical lesson in the offering of Isaac by Abraham. Isaac is a type of Christ, obedient unto death. Phil. 2:5-8. Abraham is a type of the Father, who spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all. Rom. 8:32. The ram is a type of the substitution of Christ offered as a burnt offering in our stead, Heb. 10:5-10. In Egypt we see redemption (typified by blood). The Passover lamb is a type of Christ. The lamb taken on the tenth day and kept up until the fourteenth day shows Christ foreordained of God from eternity, but manifest for us in time. We find that every ceremony, every rite, every ordinance, and every sacrifice pointed forward to the Lamb of God.

During the four thousand years of shedding the blood of bullocks, goats, and lambs, God, in His great object lesson, kept before the people the fact that without the shedding of blood there was no remission of sin.

The blood on the lintel secured Israel's peace. "When I see the blood, I will pass over you." There was nothing more required than the unblemished substitute which met God's claims and Israel's needs. Then perfect peace reigned within. The judgment that was due him fell upon a divinely appointed victim. One doubt from within would have made God's word void, for He said, "When I see the blood, I will pass over you." All

under the cover of the blood were safe. They were not hoping or praying to be saved for they knew it, because they had God's word for it. The word of God and the blood of the Lamb formed the foundation for Israel's peace. If one had been touched, it would have proved God's word void and the blood valueless; but the Israelite knew he was safe. Was it because of any thing he had done or thought or felt? No, because God had said, "When I see the blood, I will pass over you." He had to be in applicant of the blood, not just have a lofty estimate which the mind can form of the blood, for he wasn't saved by his interest in, or his thoughts about, the blood, but simply by the blood. If the Israelites had based their hope on the way they cooked and ate the lamb and observed his ordinance, they would have denied the sufficiency of the blood.

We are likely to regard the gifts of the Spirit in us, rather than the work of Christ for us, as the foundation of peace. The Holy Ghost did not make peace but Christ did. Paul preached peace by Jesus Christ. Eph. 2:14-17. In Colossians, Paul tells us that He was reconciled in the body of His flesh through death to present us holy and unblamable in His sight. The hope of glory is in Christ Jesus' finished work on the cross. Christ stated, on the cross, that His work was finished, but the Holy Ghost has not completed His work until He presents the church to Christ without spot or wrinkle. Like the case of Abraham and his servant: Abraham's servant's work was not completed, in the matter of Rebecca, until he had presented her to Isaac. Christ said the Holy Ghost would not speak of Himself, but only the things of Christ.

Christ the Fulfillment of God's Plan for the Atonement

Ordinances of the old covenant were mere types, but the new covenant and sacrifice are realities.

The blood of the goats and bulls could never take away sins, but now in the end Christ hath appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. Heb. 9:26. The law was a shadow of good things to come. Paul tells us that the law was a schoolmaster to bring us to Christ. "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus." Gal. 3:24, 25.

The unleavened bread and bitter herbs were necessary because they were for the inside of the house, but the blood was the foundation for their redemption. Christ's holy and obedient life failed to rent the veil in the temple, but when his holy blood touched old Mother Earth, the veil was rent from top to bottom, giving us the right to come to the throne of grace boldly and make our position known.

The author of the Epistle to the Hebrews put a great deal of emphasis on the word "better." Christ is better than angels, Moses the lawgiver, Joshua, Aaron, the new covenant, or even

the Mosaic covenant. In Heb. 11:40, the author stated, "God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect." Hebrews 9:15 states, "He is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance."

Paul states in Eph. 4:8, "When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men." Peter declared that Jesus went and preached unto the spirits in prison, which were sometimes disobedient. Christ met fully and forever all that infinite holiness could possibly require of a substitute. God raised Him from the dead. The resurrection was God's sign and signet that His Son was without flaw, therefore eternally sufficient for those who trust in His finished program.

After the church was caught up, John heard them singing a new song. All heaven were there, and were saying, "Thou hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation." In Revelation 21, John said, "I saw a new heaven and a new earth." This is after the thousand years' reign of Christ and the white throne judgment, and the old earth has been renovated, the Holy

City coming down from God out of heaven prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. This city will have twelve gates, twelve angels, the names of the twelve tribes of Israel, and twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. The people of that city have their names in the book of life. The garden of Eden will be restored, not with innocent men and women like Adam and Eve, but a blood-washed and overcoming people. Then God's plan will be completed. We shall have redemption and eternal glory through the atoning blood of Jesus Christ.

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...REVIVALS...

E. BERNSTADT, Ky.—We had a 6 week's revival conducted by Brother and Sister Joe Fletcher. There were 44 saved, 21 filled with the Holy Ghost, 22 baptized in water, and 5 added to the church. Anyone needing a real Holy Ghost preacher should contact Brother and Sister Fletcher.—Mrs. C. D. Ward, Clerk.

WARE SHOALS, S. C.—We have had the greatest revival the church here has had in quite a while. There were 8 saved, 10 sanctified, 14 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 6 added to the church. Rev. S. C. Chambers was the evangelist, and he and Sister Chambers were appreciated here. Brother Chambers did truly preach the gospel in the old-time way, and it was effective. A church will do well to get Brother Chambers for a revival. Pray that the church will continue to grow.—C. L. Hall, Pastor.

RUTHERFORDTON, N. C.—We have just closed a two and one-half weeks' revival, with Brother J. E. Walker in charge. It was the greatest revival Rutherfordton has known. There were 18 saved, 11 sanctified, 8 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 6 added to

the church. There were numbers healed, some of headaches, neuritis, rheumatism, high blood pressure, and deafness. One sister who had not worn shoes for four years because of swollen feet wore shoes to church the next night. We thank God for a preacher like Brother Walker and a pastor like Brother S. D. Martin. Rutherfordton is growing. Pray for us.—Lucille Arrowood.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

PRAY FOR:

The healing of my body.—A Reader.
My unsaved husband, son, daughter.—Mrs. Handy G. Brantley, Bailey, N. C.

The healing of my body; me to receive the Holy Ghost; my husband and children.—Mrs. Joe Mathis, Jayess, Miss.

Mrs. Louise Smith's baby to be healed of asthma; the father and mother to be delivered from the drink habit and be saved; my husband to be saved.—Mrs. E. C. Bass, Nokomis, Fla.

Brother H. D. Nicolls to be healed.—Mrs. H. D. Nicolls, Centerville, Iowa.

The healing of my body; my unsaved friends.—Miss Florence Easter, Mt. Airy, N. C.

Me to be healed; my mother and grandmother; my brother's eyes.—Mildred Berry, Dillon, S. C.

Me and my family to receive the Holy Ghost.—O. J. Huggins, Orlando, Fla.

God to especially undertake for a very urgent unspoken request.—W. E. Blackburn, San Francisco, Calif.

Me to be healed of a serious head trouble.—Mrs. Lizzie Johnson, Baxley, Ga.

Me to receive the Holy Ghost.—Wilbur Dean Drawdy, Baxley, Ga.

REPORTS

FROM THE NORTH ROME, GA., CHURCH OF GOD

By the Pastor, Paul T. Stover

Last Assembly the Church of God here in North Rome had an average of one *Evangel* to every seven members; only 37 *Evangel*s coming to the city, and part of these were coming to the church at DeSoto Park. The church also was distributing 224 LIGHTED PATHWAYS per month. Since that time we have made a fine increase. We now have 285 members in our church, with 254 *Evangel* subscriptions and 1,050 LIGHTED PATHWAYS each month. I sincerely believe that if we would be as eager to place good literature in the hands of not only our members, but the general public as well, we would be able to make a greater gain for God and His church. People are going to read something, and why not have them learn about God and the church while they are reading. Where there is no vision, the people perish, and certainly people are perishing spiritually, because our vision has been so narrow.

There are people standing on the street corners with all kinds of rotten literature, and if the people do not buy their papers, they give them one, and are glad to do it. Why? They want to better acquaint them with their doctrine and gain more followers by doing so. Then, we Church of God folks many times are not as interested in our own literature as we ought to be. I believe that if all our members would subscribe to the *Evangel* and LIGHTED PATHWAY, then subscribe for some of their relatives and the various city officials, maybe they would be a little more favorable toward both you and the Church in your home town, when they knew more about it. Besides all this, you get the reports on our work in general, plus some soul-stirring messages to bless our hearts and inspire us to do more for God and the Church.

Instead of one *Evangel* to every two or four members, don't count five members in one family and say that family doesn't need five *Evangel*s coming to their home. Make it a point to see that every family in the Church of God has the *Evangel* and LIGHTED PATHWAY in its home. Then, why not do a little home-mission work by giving your members a chance to pay for subscriptions and send them to all of the people that you would like to see saved, sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost, and added to the Church of God. We gave our people a chance to do this last year, and you should have seen the response. You should see the results, even today. Some argue that if you send the *Evangel* to people who are not interested in the Church of God, they will only throw them in the trash can; but, by the time 50 copies come to their home in one year, they will at least look over two or three of them, and, perhaps, be touched by something they read and come to a service at the church, hear the sermon, go to the altar, repent of their sins, and be saved. One soul is worth more than the whole world. Praise God, I am getting happy just thinking about it.

Ministers and members, let us do our BEST to get as much of our literature in circulation as possible. Find a hospital where you can distribute LIGHTED PATHWAYS to the patients; place our *Evangel*s and LIGHTED PATHWAYS in bus and railroad stations, libraries, doctors' offices, and everywhere you have the opportunity. It will not hurt to take a special offering every now and then to help finance this work. We take offerings for everything, so why not for our publications? We have people here in the North Rome church who are doing personal work in the jail, stockade, county home, and hospitals, and they find that our publications add much to their visit, and people are glad to get the papers. Remember, those people in the various places of confinement have a soul that will live on just like yours, and wouldn't you like to help them find Jesus? Come on, Church of God people, let us do our duty to God and man.

EDITOR'S NOTE: My dear Brother

Stover: Please accept my sincere thanks and deepest appreciation for the noble support you and your good church have given to our publications. You have set a challenging example for other pastors and churches which I do hope they will be quick to follow, for, after all, it is support and cooperation like this that is giving to our official organ, as well as all the other publications, the circulation it deserves. May God's richest blessings be upon you and your good church always.

THE ARIZONA CAMP MEETING

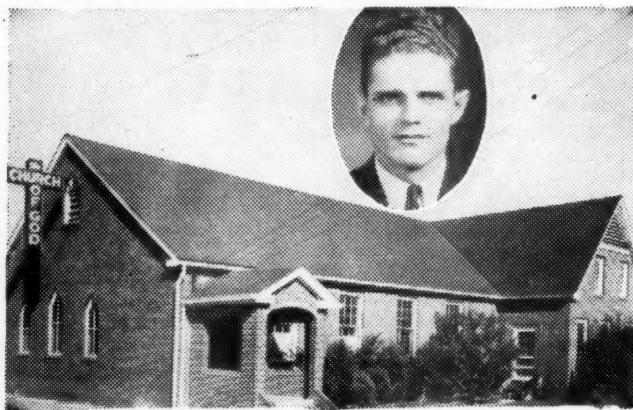
One of the greatest camp meetings in the history of the State of Arizona is now past. Our hearts are made to rejoice when we think of how God did bless throughout the camp meeting, which convened at the Chicago Avenue Church of God, Phoenix, Arizona. Rev. H. L. Diffie and church were host to the camp meeting which was presided over by our beloved state overseer, J. E. Douglas, Sr.

Our evening speaker for the camp meeting was J. E. Douglas, Jr., of Santa Ana, California. Words and space would fail us to express our appreciation for his outstanding messages and untiring efforts to make this camp meeting a great success. Our building at nights was well filled and great miracles of healing were wrought by the mighty power of God. Many prayed through to salvation, sanctification, and the Holy Ghost.

There were many outstanding services in the camp meeting. Our ministers and singers seemed to be at their best. One outstanding feature which was noticed by many visitors was the unity among the ministers in Arizona. Another of the outstanding features in the camp meeting was the daily Bible lectures given by our state overseer every morning. Brother Douglas' ability to teach and his knowledge on Bible prophecy made these lectures very interesting.

Saturday night was Orphanage night. This service was under the direction of Sister Io Garlit, our state youth director. This was an outstanding service and a splendid Orphanage offering was raised. The State of Arizona appreciates Sister Garlit as a youth director.

I was rocked in a Church of God cradle and have attended many camp meetings and General Assemblies, but never have I heard any official of the Church preach as our Assistant General Overseer, Rev. Zeno C. Tharp, did at the Arizona camp meeting. To say that we enjoyed these messages would be a poor way of ex-



The North Rome, Ga., Church of God—Paul T. Stover, Pastor

pressing it. Sunday morning, with tears streaming down his face, he told us the need of the mission fields. This spirit caught in the congregation, and before the final count over \$2,000 was raised. This may not sound like too much to some states, but Arizona has been hard hit this last year with her mines shutting down and loss of citrus crops.

We praise God for this great camp meeting. Many returned to their fields of labor determined to do more for God and His Church. The limit will catch our overseer this year, but we ministers in the State of Arizona want to express our appreciation to him and his family for their part in making this Arizona's greatest camp meeting.—Rev. A. G. Thompson, Camp Meeting Reporter.

THE CAIRO DISTRICT CAMP MEETING AND CONVENTION

The Cairo District camp meeting and convention convened at Bainbridge, Ga., with Rev. J. J. Floyd as host pastor, June 5-11, 1950. Long before service time, people from all over the district began coming in, with a glad hand shake, hello, and God bless you. Our camp meeting was off to a good start under the direction of our much loved and capable district overseer. In our district ministers' meeting, he, the Rev. T. A. Perkins, was voted unanimously to be the night speaker, and oh how God did use him. The presence of the Lord was with us from the first service through the entire meeting, with great waves of glory sweeping over the congregation from time to time. The attendance was above all expectation, with the altar full of seekers each night. There were 7 saved, 10 sanctified, and 6 filled with the Holy Ghost.

We were privileged to have our esteemed and much loved state overseer and wife, Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Simmons, with us. On Saturday afternoon, Brother Simmons brought a very timely message to the ministers, following through with a most wonderful message Sunday morning on "Christ for the World." The congregation responded with an offering of \$500.76, which is the leading district mission offering for Georgia this year, making a total of \$758 for the meeting. Hurrah for Cairo!

After enjoying a good old Southern style basket dinner, the L. W. W. B. was represented by Sister Simmons, who in her loving way gave a most

interesting talk, concluding with a report of the L. W. W. B. district work. Next were the reports of the pastors, and what good reports they were, showing—great increases spiritually and financially.

Rev. Jim Daniels, of Florida, and Rev. J. L. Underwood, of So. Boston, Va., were with us, each bringing a very inspiring message.

We considered the camp meeting a great success, and the convention unsurpassed in the history of this district. They will linger long as cherished memories to many of us. So hats off to our district overseer, his good wife, and family! Yes, to the entire group of ministers, laity, and friends of the great Church of God on the Cairo District!—Camp Meeting Committee: H. M. Long, J. J. Floyd, E. E. O'Neal.

GOD HEALS THE PEOPLE IN ILLINOIS

Brother Thea F. Jones was with us in Benton, Illinois, in the high-school "Ranger" gymnasium on East Main Street. Hundreds of people crowded into the auditorium each night to hear the Word of God and to see His wonderful healing power manifested. People came from Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Florida, California, Missouri, Michigan, and from towns all over the State of Illinois. The crowd the last night was estimated between 2,500 and 3,000 yet the gym seats only 1,700.

Brother Jones was surely anointed with the Holy Ghost each night as he preached the Word of God, and after the messages many came seeking God for deliverance for their sinful souls. Many were delivered from tobacco, drink, and other habits. We couldn't keep account of the number of definite spiritual experiences.

Brother Jones prayed for thirty deaf people, almost everyone of them were healed instantly. About ten others were prayed for who were deaf in one ear. A little girl, age 5, was healed of deafness in both ears; she could even hear a watch tick. Another person was blind in one eye and deaf in both ears and God wonderfully healed her. A man was healed of sinus trouble, deafness in both ears, and arthritis. He could hardly walk up on the platform, but when prayed for he threw his cane down and went running off. He said he got what he came after. A girl, age 16, completely deaf in her left ear because she had no ear drum, was

prayed for and could hear a faint whisper.

On Sunday morning Brother Jones was with us in the church on North McLeansboro Street in Benton, and the church was completely filled. People came from far and wide to be prayed for. One man was there who had arthritis for ten years and was so sore and stiff he had to have help of two men and crutches to get into the church. When Brother Jones prayed for him he got up out of his chair and walked off the platform, down the steps and out of the church, leaving his crutches and the two men behind. That night he was in the high-school auditorium to show people that God can heal and keep healed.

There were several cases of heart trouble, cancer, goiter, nervousness, stomach trouble, weak eyes, and other diseases prayed for. Several of these were healed instantly. Three people were prayed for to receive the sense of smell; and went away rejoicing because they could smell.

This is the second time we have been privileged to have Brother Jones with us in Illinois, and we do thank God because he came our way.—Esther Tiberend.

OHIO'S STATE CAMP MEETING BLESSING TO MANY

The annual Ohio State camp meeting and convention of the Churches of God in Ohio was held at the Methodist Campgrounds, Lancaster, Ohio, for the fifth consecutive year. Though the number of persons remaining on the grounds for the entire camp meeting was not quite as large as last year, due to this being the Assembly year, the week-end services were unusually well attended. Difficulty was experienced in attempting to find lodging for all who attended over the week end.

Many were heard to express their appreciation for the fine, soul-stirring evangelistic messages delivered nightly by Rev. Luther Turner, pastor of Church of God, 12th and Elm Sts., Cincinnati, Ohio. Many lined the altar nightly, seeking God for salvation, sanctification, and the baptism of the Holy Ghost. No doubt, many left the campgrounds with an experience with God which they had not had when they came.

The State Youth Congress was held on Saturday, June 10. This was a great day. Speakers for the day were Rev. Zeno C. Tharp, Rev. Ralph Wil-

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Short Sermons

CHRIST AND THE CHURCH

By REV. PHILIP C. WHITE
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"And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it," Matt. 16:18.

This statement made by Jesus Himself was prompted by Peter's statement that Christ was the Son of God. Previous to this Jesus was asking His disciples what the public opinion of Him was. There was much confusion as to who this Christ man was, but Peter didn't have a doubt in his mind who He was, and he spoke his mind and said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." In response to Peter's answer, Christ said, "Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven," v. 19. The church of Jesus Christ is built on a divine revelation of God; an experience or real salvation, not just a card signing religion or a hand shake of some dignitary of today; but on a real born again experience.

Jesus says, "Blessed art thou, Peter," so you see the Lord's church is a blessed church, and if a blessed church, then there surely must be some manifestation of such blessings, and this excludes the modernists who just sign a membership card of some church, who try to streamline God's truth and try to climb up some other way.

Now let's go to another class. This class of people are those who have a form of worship but deny the power of God. The Word says, "From such turn away." Jesus said on one occasion, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." So if Christ has all power, seeing that He, Jesus, is the Head of the church, then the Church should have power, too. The early church had power, such power that on one occasion, when they prayed, the place was shaken where they were worshipping, and the church had such prestige that men would lay their loved ones along the roadway so the shadow of its members might overshadow them that they might be healed. But we have some in the ranks of Pentecost who are lowering the standard and putting on their dignity to gain favor with the



Rev. Philip C. White

public. God forbid such profanity. The early church didn't use beautiful phrases, or church socials, or bingo parties; no, my friend, not even three years of college and five years of seminary. But Peter, standing up, lifted up his voice and said, "These are not drunken, as ye suppose . . . but this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel." His message sank into the hearts of the masses of people, and thousands of them repented, made peace with God, and became members of the church.

The early church had power with God, so God added to the church daily such as should be saved. All members of Christ's church are saved people. The church Jesus will present to Himself will be a perfect church without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, holy and without blemish. "And he gave some, apostles; and some prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ," Eph. 4:11-13.

Christian friend, have you reached this place of His fulness? Have you just made yourself at ease in Zion? If so, God said, "Woe unto them who are at ease in Zion." Could you be-

lieve Jesus will come for a church that has no power, no vision, some believing one thing and some another? No. I say "no" on these grounds: that He healed all who came to Him. He made deformed bodies whole and opened blinded eyes, and His church will not be deformed or sick, but a church that is whole and sound, being able to see eye to eye and all speak the same thing. "So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment," 1 Cor. 1:7-10.

"For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am Apollos; are ye not carnal?" 1 Cor. 3:4.

The church that Jesus purchased with His own blood is the one that we must feed and perfect, and he, Paul, calls it the Church of God (Acts 20:28). What do you call yours? Col. 1:18, "And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the pre-eminence." Christ has a church which He sets the members in as it pleases Him, that they can carry on. Not through church politics will God bless and honor His church, but by the leading of the Holy Ghost, for the Holy Ghost will lead and guide you in all truth and show you things to come. The church must and does have members full of the Holy Ghost to be its leaders. Acts 6:3, "Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business."

How can any people be the real church when they don't have leaders or even believe in the Holy Ghost? Come on, Church of God, as Joshua and Caleb came back with the report, "We are well able to take the land," so are we, the Church of God, able to gather in the masses of them who are saying, "Come ye and let us go up to Zion the house of the Lord, for out of Zion shall go forth the word of the Lord."

THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES

By EVANGELIST H. E. KENDRICK

Just as sure as the natural horizon has its sunset, so the spiritual horizon has its sunset. Every age or dispensation has a sunset in it just as truly as the day, and in the close of each age there are sunset signs that indicate the weather of the coming age. So, with this thought in mind, read with me Matt. 16:1-5; 24:6-15, using chap. 16:4 as the text, "A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign."

The desire of these wicked and hypocritical Pharisees and Sadducees was not granted by our Lord, for God does not reveal His secrets to such people as these. Praise God for the words of the prophet Amos, chap. 3:7, "Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets"; and the goodly words of Jesus in Luke 10:21, "I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes." While the educated ecclesiastics, diplomats, statesmen, scientists, and propagandists of our day are going mad trying to figure out just what is in the future and what the outcome of it all will be, and stout hearts are falling them for fear and for looking after those things "they fee lare coming upon the earth," God has a few babes in Christ and prophets to whom He is revealing His secrets. Oh, vain are the thoughts of man that God only spoke to men of old and not to our generation at all.

It is true that He does not speak in the thunderous tones of Sinai, but, lest you be completely misled, He still speaks in the "still small voice of Horeb" only to those who will stay with Him silently, alone, and absolutely disengaged from the frivolous hilarious, and foolish things of this world.

My friend, if you cannot discern the truth in the maze of apostasy that is sweeping the world, if you remain complacent and indifferent to the conditions that exist, if you cannot weep because of the spiritual condition of this gay, mad, sex-crazed, frivolous dispensation, if you console yourself with the thought that this age is no worse than others, if you do not recognize in this great "latter rain, miracle-working, gift-bestowing, Holy Ghost downpour of God's love,

the greatest "end time sign," then you need to be born of the Spirit! Paul declares, 1 Cor. 2:14, "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are *spiritually* discerned." You are like Nicodemus of St. John 3. He could acknowledge that "we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man could do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him." But why? how? I just don't understand! Just so today; many will recognize and admit that in the Pentecostal movements there are miracles and God's blessing seems plenteous, but we just don't understand; we want to reason things out. The same answer comes to you, my friend, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." For truly these miracles were the signs of the kingdom of God with them, and all He had to do was "be born again," out of that old Adamic, doubtful, self-reasoning nature, and he would not only "see it" but "understand it," and furthermore, "except a man be born of the water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." In other words, you can have no part nor lot in this great blessing. Oh, thank God for the revelation that it takes more than a card-signing, church-joining, hand-shaking, water-sprinkling faith or religion to be able to comprehend "these signs of the time," but He reveals them to "born-again babes and chosen prophets."

It is just as difficult for a physically blind man to understand the glory of nature as it is for a wicked natural man to understand the spiritual. You could tell a blind man all day how beautiful are the flowers, trees, evergreens and sunsets, but he could never understand the full beauty—even so in trying to explain the glory of the spiritual and warn of divine wrath to come. The natural man out of God's spiritual touch will not understand or receive it, but does it make it any the less so?

Today's Sign

The Apostle Paul in 1 Cor. 14:21, 22, in confirmation of Isaiah's prophecy (Isa. 28:11), exhorts, "In the law it is written, With men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people; and yet for all that will they not hear me, saith the Lord. Where-

fore tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not: but prophesying serveth not for them that believe not, but for them which believe." The warning to get ready for the coming of the Lord is on, and has reached to the remotest bounds of man's habitation. The midnight cry of Matt. 25:6 is going forth. The sifting time of Matt. 3:3 has come. After Pentecost (early rain) is here, Acts 4:33, "And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all." The time to buy oil, Matt. 25:4, is here. Even so, in these times of "latter rain" are the Spirit-filled children of God giving forth with great power, the coming of our Lord and the end of the age; perhaps not so much in the manner of the wisdom of the world, because it is not perceived by wisdom, as Paul states in 1 Cor. 2:4, 5, "And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God." In other words, it is as Joel prophesied of these last days (chapter 2), with signs, wonders, dreams, visions, miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, with God bearing witness as of Heb. 2:4. And so, with messages by the Spirit in tongues, that no natural man understands, and with the same spiritual interpretation, plus inspired messages of prophecy, God gives signs and wonders today.

The messages of late have been in essence, viz., "Behold, I come quickly; be ye ready." "He is near, even at the door." "Jesus is coming soon." Still many have in them an evil heart of unbelief. Why? In 2 Cor. 4:3, 4, we read, "But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: in whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them."

In closing, beloved friend, I say, Remember that Belshazzar was enjoying himself in the drunken, indifferent, unbelieving, God-defying spirit of the world, but the handwriting appeared on the wall. This was God's sign to him. He could not understand it, but God had a man ready to interpret it for him, which caused his knees to be smitten together and his

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FOREIGN MISSIONS

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radio station from which the gospel message will go forth.

OUR LITTLE BEGINNING. Mrs. Henry Flowers, a Church of God Sunday School teacher, has now joined her soldier husband in Japan, and in the hotel has organized a Sunday School and young people's meeting, with increasing attendance and interest for each of these first four weeks. The hotel management was so impressed with Mrs. Flowers' work that he said this good work should never stop, and promised to see that it be carried on, even if the sister moves on.

INDIA

In 1947, when new India had her first year of self-government, she had some rough sailing. No sooner than her flags had been unfurled with rejoicing than riots broke out fiercely in various places in North India. The scenes that followed were indescribable; no one could portray the horrors. Blood ran like rivers, Muslims killing Hindus and Hindus murdering the Muslims. No accurate figures are available, but it is estimated that one million were slaughtered in cold blood. Those were dark days and no one knew when this internal religious war would end. Then news circled the globe that Gandhi was dead, shot to death by a fellow Hindu. All India was stunned, but no doubt if he had been killed by a Muslim, many millions more would have been slain. The shocking news caused great grief by Muslim and Hindu, and all mourned his death, and almost overnight the riots ceased. Newspapers throughout the land headlined such claims as "He died for the sins of his people." Such writings and editorials comparing Gandhi, not with their gods or great men, but with Christ, gave the Christians an usual opportunity to proclaim our Lord Jesus Christ far greater than Gandhi and everyone else, for Christ died for the sins of the whole world. While forming India's constitution, heated debates rang out in the legislature and many feared that the Christians would be gently restricted. But prayers to God ascended daily, and, thanks be to God, the new constitution grants full religious freedom, leaving India's doors open to the gospel.

We (the Church of God) have the brightest outlook for our Indian

work in its history. We believe God, will help us train the nationals, who, with a knowledge of God's Word and a burning zeal for Him, can win many, many souls.

SOUTH AMERICA

Space will not permit me this time to tell of the great doors opened in South America. There are some great revivals sweeping the country. Many thousands are throwing off the dead formalisms and heathen superstitions and really accepting Christ, being truly born again. But remember, like the apostle Paul's open door, *there are many adversaries*. There is great persecution continuing in Columbia. Many chapels are being burned and believers murdered. The evangelical missions are flooding the Government with denunciations of the persecution: murder, riot, and the burning of chapels. But the Roman Catholic priests are behind the scenes inciting fanatical, unlearned superstitious people to do this, causing them to believe Protestants are messengers of the devil.

On Easter Sunday, when the Pope spoke to two hundred thousand of the faithful outside St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, he said, "Those who claim to follow Christ will have complete joy even though they must suffer affliction, persecution and injustice at the hands of man." Evidently the Pope was referring to Catholics in Europe being overrun by communism. However, these words can also apply to Protestants in some areas of Latin America who suffer affliction, persecution, and injustice at the hands of Roman Catholics, especially in Bolivia, Mexico, and Columbia. Recently, a Roman Catholic bishop in Ponce, Puerto Rico, came out in open protest against the Great Pentecostal Osborne Campaign, in which some 30,000 people attended the services and many hundreds were healed. The bishop demanded the Roman Catholics to stay away from the meeting threatening excommunication if they attended even for curiosity.

In Haiti, Brother T. L. Osborne was also used of God in bringing many hundreds to God, and hundreds of them healed. The blind received their sight; the deaf were made to hear; the lame leaped and ran and praised God. Immediately, through the Press, the Catholic priests denounced Brother Osborne as a witch doctor, a child of the devil, deceiving the people.

Yes, there are many adversaries but the challenge is ever before us. The open doors are clearly seen. Shall we not go? Can we afford to wait? The commission is to "go" to every creature.

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loins loosed, his face blanched, his heart shrunk within him, for judgment had come. With all the tenderness a heart can possess, and in voice low and appealing, I beg you, I implore you, I warn you, lift up your eyes from the glare of Satan's false sun to behold the "signs of the times" pointing to the glorious and triumphant appearing of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ, who will answer all of your disputes, problems, and questions. It is a serious hour when people will hear only the man who panders to their selfish, immoral nature. Universal peace will be assured when the people will sit at His feet and let Him arbitrate their disputes and guide their behaviour. "Will ye also be his disciple?"

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REPORTS

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liams, Mrs. Daisy Schimpff, and Brother William Lavender. In the afternoon, Sister Margie Hitte, of Warren, Ohio, presented the drama "The Missing Christian." This was outstanding in every respect.

The L. W. W. B. program was presented on Sunday afternoon. This was in charge of Sister E. C. Clark, State President. Daisy Schimpff, Marietta, Ohio, presented the L. W. W. B. drama, which showed what a great blessing the L. W. W. B. can be when everyone works together for the interest of the Church and God.

The state convention was held the last two days of the camp meeting. This was marked by the ordination of Luther Turner and J. K. Wolfe. Each of the following ministers received \$50: Rev. J. F. Lavender, Rev. D. A. Biggs, Rev. R. Huff (two prizes), Rev. Harrison Kirk, and Rev. R. C. Kinnison.

Much commendation is also deserved by our State Overseer, E. C. Clark, and the various committee chairmen and their committees for the smooth operation of the camp meeting in general.—O. W. Polen, State Youth Director and State Secretary-Treasurer.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PRAYER CLUB CLIMBING

The young people's prayer club at Clyde, N. C., is climbing higher in the work of the Lord. They are especially interested in lost souls, not only in Clyde but all over the world. They are endeavoring to carry on the work of the Lord. We praise the Lord for our good pastor, Rev. J. H. McKinney, and our club president, Sister Sybil Snyder. They are true soldiers of the cross. The Sunday School is being built up, and the church is on fire for God. The Lord is really blessing in a mighty way at Clyde, and we praise Him. We give all the honor and glory to the One who is worthy, our Lord Jesus Christ.—Peggy Sanford, Reporter.

GREETINGS FROM OAKLAWN

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Greetings from the Oaklawn Church of God. God has really been present in a precious way since the last of November. On that date our new pastor and wife, Brother and Sister G. Eugene Mills, and children arrived. They have really been a blessing to Oaklawn. Many times the battle got hard and it seemed like they couldn't

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT CONVENTION MISSION OFFERINGS

	1948-49	1949-50	Gain	Loss
Jackson District	\$457.83	\$557.16	\$ 99.33	\$
Morgantown District	321.40	597.19	275.79	
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Total	\$5,389.05	\$6,677.65	\$1,555.96	\$263.41
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John L. Byrd, State Overseer

go any farther, but God came to the rescue. On May 29, Brother Mills started a tent meeting in Maryland, feeling that the Lord would send an evangelist to help him out. The Lord sent along Sister Beatrice Stansky, and how He did bless! The meeting lasted 3 weeks, with 18 saved, 11 sanctified, 10 filled with the Holy Ghost, 16 baptized in water, and 22 added to the church, plus 5 transfers. We had 15 members; now we have 42. We have been averaging 30 in Sunday School. This Sunday we had 59. We are continuing our meetings in the church this week, with the promise of more members. Pray for us here at Oaklawn that God's Spirit will come down in an abundant way; also pray for our pastor and his family that God's richest blessings will abide with them.—Doris Marks, Reporter.

STONEFIELD DISTRICT YOUTH CONVENTION

The Stonefield District youth convention was held at Grenada, Miss. The wonderful hospitality that prevailed throughout the convention made everyone feel as if he were in a corner of heaven. The state youth director had charge of the program, and such a rich program it was! Visitors from the Delta District proved a great blessing in the convention. Brother Babb reserved Saturday afternoon for the juniors, having each church on the district present a program by their juniors.

On Sunday morning, after a heart-stirring message, we received our orphanage offering, which amounted to a total of \$384.25, a gain of \$104.20 over last year, for which we truly praise the Lord. Everyone went home with the memory of the best convention yet for Stonefield. We wish to commend Brother Babb, our state youth director, for the untiring way he has worked to equip Mississippi's young people with better and more interesting ways to serve our Master. He has stressed the use of object les-

sons, chalk talks, flannelgraphs, and Daily Vacation Bible Schools, and they have all proved a wonderful blessing on the Stonefield District. May the Lord richly bless him in this wonderful work.—Mrs. J. L. Holloway, Reporter.

OKLAHOMA CAMP MEETING GREAT SUCCESS

Dear Brother Bright: Christian greetings from the great Midwest.

I want to give a very brief report of our camp meeting. Spirituality high, excellent preaching, good singing, wonderful fellowship, our mission offering exceeded that of last year. Oklahoma is going forward. We are building new church buildings and organizing new churches. The Lord is with us! Oh yes, I almost forgot to say that our crowds were much larger than last year. This was our second year at our new camp site. I feel that next year the crowds will exceed those of this year. We have not forgotten the fine preaching you did last year, and, too, I remember the prophecy you made relative to our tabernacle. You said it would soon be too small to contain the crowds. If all the people who attended had come on the inside this year we would have been packed and jammed. We appreciate the faithful efforts of all who helped to make the camp meeting a success.—C. J. Hindmon, State Overseer.

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